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September 13, 2016

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

31 September 13, 2016

LORI GLASGOW
EXECUTIVE OFFICER

**ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING HIGHWAYS-THROUGH-CITIES FUNDING
AND ADOPT AND ADVERTISE CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT
FLORENCE AVENUE/MILLS AVENUE
FROM ORR AND DAY ROAD TO WHITTIER BOULEVARD
TRAFFIC SIGNAL MODIFICATION AND SYNCHRONIZATION PROJECT
IN THE CITIES OF SANTA FE SPRINGS AND WHITTIER
AND IN THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF SOUTH WHITTIER
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 4)
(4 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

This action is to authorize Highways-Through-Cities financial assistance to the Cities of Santa Fe Springs and Whittier, approve and advertise the Florence Avenue/Mills Avenue from Orr and Day Road to Whittier Boulevard project in the Cities of Santa Fe Springs and Whittier and in the unincorporated community of South Whittier, find this project categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act, adopt Resolution No. 3971 and the plans and specifications, and delegate certain responsibilities to the Director of Public Works or her designee to carry out this project.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

1. Find this project categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.
2. Adopt Resolution No. 3971 finding that the project is of general County interest and that County of Los Angeles aid in the form of Highways-Through-Cities funds in the amount of \$1,145,000 shall be provided to the Cities of Santa Fe Springs and Whittier to be expended in accordance with all

applicable provisions of law relating to funds derived from the Proposition C local sales tax.

3. Approve and advertise the project and adopt the plans and specifications that are on file in the Construction Division of the Department of Public Works for traffic signal modification and synchronization, at an estimated construction contract cost between \$900,000 and \$1,100,000.
4. Instruct the Executive Officer of the Board of Supervisors to advertise for bids in accordance with the Instruction Sheet for Publishing Legal Advertisement, and which are to be received before 11 a.m. on October 13, 2016, in accordance with the Notice Inviting Bids.
5. Delegate to the Director of Public Works or her designee the following authority in connection with this contract: (1) allow substitution of subcontractors and relief of bidders upon demonstration of the grounds set forth in State Public Contract Code Sections 4100 et seq. and 5100 et seq., respectively and (2) extend the date and time for the receipt of bids consistent with the requirements of State Public Contract Code Section 4104.5.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended actions is for the Board to approve and advertise the project, adopt Resolution No. 3971 and the plans and specifications, and delegate certain responsibilities to the Director of Public Works or her designee to carry out this project.

Board adoption of the enclosed resolution approves the County's contribution of Highways-Through-Cities funds in the amount of \$1,145,000 to finance a portion of the Cities of Santa Fe Springs and Whittier jurisdictional shares of the project cost.

Sections 1680-1683 of the California Streets and Highways Code provide that the Board of Supervisors of any county may, by a resolution adopted by a four-fifths vote of its members, determine that certain types of road improvements are of general county interest and that county aid shall be extended therefor.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provisions of Operational Effectiveness/Fiscal Sustainability (Goal 1) and Integrated Services Delivery (Goal 3). The recommended actions will help achieve these goals by providing improved traffic flow for the traveling public, which will benefit the cities and community.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

The estimated construction contract cost to complete this project is in the range of \$900,000 to \$1,100,000. The total project cost is estimated to be \$1,786,000. In addition to the construction contract cost, the total project cost includes the preparation of plans and specifications, consultant services, materials testing, construction engineering, inspection, contract administration, change order contingency, and other County services. See the enclosed table for the share of the total project cost amongst the jurisdictions involved and their corresponding Highways-Through-Cities funding.

The project cost will be financed with \$1,244,000 in Los Angeles Metropolitan Transportation Authority Call for Projects, Proposition C Discretionary Grant funds for the Gateway Cities Traffic Signal Forum; \$248,000 in County Proposition C Local Return funds, \$204,000 from The Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee, and \$90,000 from the City of Santa Fe Springs under a Service Request. The Board has established a \$2,500,000 top-of-pot annual allocation from the Proposition C Local Return Fund Budget for the Countywide Traffic Congestion Management Program. The \$248,000 will be funded from this allocation. The \$1,145,000 in Highways-Through-Cities funds consist of Proposition C Discretionary Grant funds, Proposition C Local Return funds, and Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee funds.

Financing for the construction of this project is included in the Proposition C Local Return Fund Fiscal Year 2016-17 Budget.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The enclosed resolution has been approved as to form by County Counsel.

This project is part of Public Works' ongoing program for transportation system management. It will be advertised in accordance with Section 20392 of the State Public Contract Code.

This project is to be completed in 160 working days. It is anticipated the work will start in March 2017 and be completed in November 2017.

The project specifications contain provisions requiring the contractor to comply with terms and conditions supporting the Board's ordinances, policies, and programs including, but not limited to: the County of Los Angeles' Greater Avenues for Independence and General Relief Opportunities for Work Programs (GAIN and GROW), Board Policy No. 5.050; Contract Language to Assist in Placement of Displaced County Workers, Board Policy No. 5.110; Reporting of Improper Solicitations, Board Policy No. 5.060; Notice to Contract Employees of Newborn Abandonment Law (Safely Surrendered Baby Law), Board Policy No. 5.135; Contractor Employee Jury Service Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.203; Notice to Employees Regarding the Federal Earned Income Credit (Federal Income Tax Law, Internal Revenue Service Notice 1015); Contractor Responsibility and Debarment, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.202; the County's Child Support Compliance Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.200; the County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.206; and the standard Board-directed clauses that provide for contract termination or renegotiation.

To ensure the contract is awarded to a responsible contractor with a satisfactory history of performance, bidders are required to report violations of the False Claims Act, criminal convictions, civil litigation, defaulted contracts with the County, complaints filed with the Contractor's State License Board, labor law/payroll violations, and debarment actions. As provided for in Board Policy No. 5.140, the information reported by the contractor will be considered before making a recommendation to award.

The plans and specifications include the contractual provisions, methods, and material requirements necessary for this project and are on file with Public Works.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

This project is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act

pursuant to Sections 15301(c) of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines and Class 1, Subsections (n)(x), (x)(4), (x)(7), (x)(14), and (x)(22) of the Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines previously adopted by the Board. These exemptions provide for a new curb ramp, modification of existing traffic signal systems, establishing parking prohibition, reconstruction of curbs ramps, and maintenance of existing roadway facilities.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

This project will be contracted on an open-competitive bid basis. A recommendation for award will be made upon review of the bids. The contract will be awarded to a responsible contractor who submits the lowest responsive bid meeting the criteria established by the Board and the State Public Contract Code.

To increase contractor awareness of Public Works' program to contract work out to the private sector, this project will be listed on both the County's "Doing Business with Us" and Public Works' "Contract Opportunities" websites for upcoming bids.

In addition, in order to increase opportunities for small businesses, Public Works will be coordinating with the Office of Small Business to maximize outreach.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

When the project is completed, it will have a positive impact by providing improved traffic flow thereby benefiting the cities and community.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter, with a signed copy of the resolution, to the Department of Public Works, Construction Division.

Respectfully submitted,



GAIL FARBER

Director

GF:JTS:vr

Enclosures

c: Chief Executive Office (Rochelle Goff)
County Counsel
Executive Office
Internal Services Department (Countywide
Contract Compliance)

RESOLUTION NO. 3971 OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, TO EXTEND COUNTY AID TO THE CITIES OF SANTA FE SPRINGS AND WHITTIER FOR THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF TRAFFIC SIGNAL SYNCHRONIZATION IMPROVEMENTS

WHEREAS, the CITIES OF SANTA FE SPRINGS AND WHITTIER hereinafter referred to as CITIES and the COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, hereinafter referred to as COUNTY, desire to modify and synchronize the traffic signals along Florence Avenue/Mills Avenue from Orr and Day Road to Whittier Boulevard, which work is hereinafter referred to as PROJECT; and

WHEREAS, the PROJECT is located and will be utilized within the jurisdictional limits of CITIES and COUNTY; and

WHEREAS, PROJECT is of general interest to CITIES and COUNTY; and

WHEREAS, COUNTY AND CITIES previously executed cooperative agreements which outline the roles and responsibilities associated with the PROJECT; and

WHEREAS, the total cost of PROJECT is currently estimated to be One Million Seven Hundred Eighty-Six Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$1,786,000.00); and

WHEREAS, sufficient funds are available from the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LACMTA) Call for Projects, Proposition C Discretionary Grant funds for the Gateway Cities Forum, COUNTY'S Proposition C Local Return match funds, Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee funds and the City of Santa Fe Springs funds; and

WHEREAS, the total PROJECT cost will be financed with One Million Two Hundred Forty-Four Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$1,244,000.00) in LACMTA Call for Projects, Proposition C Discretionary Grant funds for the Gateway Cities Forum, Two Hundred Forty-Eight Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$248,000.00) in Proposition C Local Return match funds, Two Hundred Four Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$204,000.00) from Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee funds and Ninety Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$90,000.00) from City of Santa Fe Springs funds; and

WHEREAS, on an annual basis, a Two Million Five Hundred Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$2,500,000.00) top-of-pot (TOP) allocation from the Proposition C Local Return Fund Budget has been established for COUNTY'S Traffic Congestion Management Program; and

WHEREAS, the Two Hundred Forty-Eight Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$248,000.00) will be funded from this TOP allocation; and

WHEREAS, PROJECT is consistent with the scope of work for traffic improvements within CITIES pursuant to Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Number P00F1312 between COUNTY and LACMTA; and

WHEREAS, such a proposal is authorized and provided for by the provisions of Sections 1680-1683 of the California Streets and Highways Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby resolved as follows:

SECTION 1. The PROJECT is of general COUNTY interest and County aid shall be extended therefore.

SECTION 2. Subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, COUNTY consents, pursuant to the provisions of Streets and Highways Code sections 1680-1683, to extend aid to CITIES in the amount of One Million One Hundred Forty-Five Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$1,145,000.00) for PROJECT from the Proposition C Discretionary Grant funds and Proposition C Local Return funds, to be expended in accordance with all applicable provisions of law relating to funds derived from the Proposition C local sales tax.

SECTION 3. The financial obligations of the COUNTY are expressly conditioned upon obtaining reimbursement from LACMTA pursuant to MOU Number P00F1312 between COUNTY and LACMTA.

SECTION 4. If any provision of this resolution is held or declared to be invalid, the resolution shall be void and the consent granted hereunder shall lapse.

The foregoing Resolution was adopted on the 13th day of September, 2016, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles and ex officio the governing body of all other special assessment and taxing districts, agencies and authorities for which said Board so acts.



LORI GLASGOW
Executive Officer of the
Board of Supervisors of the
County of Los Angeles

By Carla Little
Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

MARY C. WICKHAM
County Counsel

By [Signature]
Deputy

TRAFFIC SIGNAL SYNCHRONIZATION
FLORENCE AVENUE/MILLS AVENUE – ORR AND DAY ROAD TO WHITTIER
BOULEVARD
TSM0010312

Project Funding			
Jurisdiction	Project Costs	City Contribution	HTC Funds
County SD4	\$ 551,000	\$ 0	\$ 0
Santa Fe Springs	\$ 1,226,000	\$ 90,000	\$ 1,136,000
Whittier	\$ 9,000	\$ 0	\$ 9,000
Total	\$ 1,786,000	\$ 90,000	\$ 1,145,000